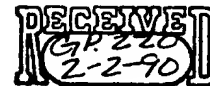




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~~Stephen C. Buczinski~~, Group Art Unit 222

Dear Sir,

I am the applicant for the above-referenced patent application. I have just received your communication, dated 11/14/89 advising me that my communication filed 10/18/89 is informal due to being unsigned.

In response, I enclose a signed duplicate of the communication.

According to your notice, a period of one month from the date of mailing was allowed to correct the informality. As your letter was posted by surface mail, it took about eight weeks to reach me. Having received the notice, I am now responding immediately. I therefore respectfully request that this response be accepted although the nominated period has expired.

I enclose a photocopy of the envelope in which the letter arrived, as evidence that it was sent by surface mail.

Yours faithfully,

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